

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are pending in the present application. Claims 14-16 are allowed. Claims 1, 2, 4/1, 4/2, 5, 6, 7 and 13 are rejected. Claims 3, 4/3 and 8-12 are objected to. By this amendment claims 3, 4, 8 and 9 are amended and claims 1, 2 and 5-7 are cancelled.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing claims 14-16 and allowing claims 3, 4/3 and 8-12 if rewritten in independent form including all limitations of the base claim and any intervening claim.

To move the case to allowance, Applicant has chosen to cancel claims 1, 2 and 5 - 7, and therefore, will not address the rejection of these claims. Applicant's cancellation of these claims is not to be interpreted as agreeing with the Examiner's position on the rejection of these claims.

Based on the Amendments and Remarks above, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of all pending claims.

Respectfully submitted,
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